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you don't have it in you to stand...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...up on the floor and say it so well and know where we all are.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Jones, followed by Senator Redfield, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES: Mr. President, members of the body. I'm standing up in opposition of the bracket. I supported this bill all the way through, and I'm still going to support it. I realize that there might some problems at the end, where there are...state resources are down, and we might have to do something at the end. But I think that rather than bracket it, I'd like to see it just moved onto Final Reading. And it's going to sit there behind the budget anyway, and maybe that's all the farther it'll go. But I think it should be moved on to...so it'll be in the discussion at the end, to see where we are originally because I think Senator Erdman spoke pretty good when he said that it's a matter of fairness on it. And I've always supported the idea that they should be treated different that way, because of the tax problem. But...so I'm going to stand in opposition of the bracket, and hopefully we can move it on, and then let it set there and see what happens when the final...get the budget done. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body. I would like to ask Senator Smith a question or two.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith, would you respond?

SENATOR SMITH: Yes.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Senator Smith, LB 516 deals with affordable